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MEMORANDUM FOR JERRY BRUCKHEIMER FILMS

SUBJECT: 90-Day Authorization for Research and Scouting

The Navy Office of Information West (NAVINFOWEST) has been in correspondence with Jerry Bruckheimer Films regarding the screenplay "Top Gun: Maverick." Formal approval of military support comes from Washington when we have a completed script and production entity, to include financing and distribution, but I am confident that this project will receive support from the Department of the Navy and the Department of Defense (DoD).

DoD regulations under which we operate outline requirements that entertainment industry projects must meet in order to receive our support. Among these, the story must be an accurate portrayal of the military, be of informational value to the American people, and enhance the public's understanding of the military and naval operations.

NAVINFOWEST will coordinate research and scouting for approved members of the "Top Gun: Maverick" production team (writers, directors, producers, etc.) through Commander Naval Air Force and Commander Naval Surface Force Public Affairs Offices at naval bases and naval air stations in support of "Top Gun: Maverick" in the U.S.

This authorization is effective July 6, 2017 through October 6, 2017. All visits will be escorted by a NAVINFOWEST representative and any required technical subject matter experts. In accordance with DoDI 5410.16p, the production company will assume payment for such items as travel (air, rental car, reimbursement for fuel, etc.), and per diem (lodging, food, and incidentals).

We enthusiastically look forward to working with you on the development and fulfillment of this project. My direct point of contact for research and scouting is (b) (6)

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